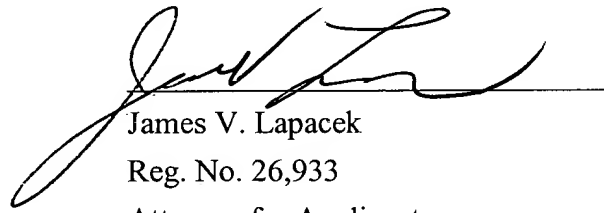


REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to review this application which has been amended after a careful consideration of the Examiner's comments in the above-identified Office Action and the references cited therein. In that Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 36 and 39 and rejected claims 24-26. Claims 24-26 have been canceled by this amendment without prejudice or disclaimer of the invention recited therein. Accordingly, claims 36 and 39 and this application are considered to be in a condition for allowance. A favorable action to that end and allowance of this application by the Examiner are respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that clarification of any issue or comment herein would be helpful to facilitate prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below for a telephonic interview or to arrange a personal interview.

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